



Mother Willie Mae McClinton

October 27, 1930 - November 1, 2018

MCCLINTON, Mother Willie Mae - Age 88, passed away Thursday, November 1, 2018 at her residence. Family hour 10:00 AM Saturday, November 17, 2018 from Harris Memorial Church of God In Christ, 4317 Lippincott Blvd., Burton, MI, with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Pastor Eric C. Bogan, officiating. Interment River Rest Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Saturday. Mother McClinton will lie in state in the chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. and may be viewed 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM Friday with family present to receive friends 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM.

The Queen's Obituary

"Her Story In Time"

"From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the Lord's name is to be praised."

Psalm 113:3

Her Time to be Born

October 27, 1930 in Marianna, Arkansas, "The Rising Of The Sun" brought forth the life of

Willie Mae (Lacey) McClinton

She was raised in a sanctified home of prayer, (the 3rd of 10 children) "Deeply Rooted in Love" by their parents, Nathan and Fannie Lacey. Willie Mae Lacey grew up in Lexa, Arkansas receiving her education at Lakeview Community

School. Accepting Christ at an early age, she was baptized at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church.

Her Time to Love and Multiply

On February 13, 1949 Willie Mae Lacey was united in Holy Matrimony to her high school sweetheart, Bertran McClinton at First Baptist Church in Lexa, AR. To this union, they were blessed with 4 children, Charles, Fay, Winston and Sheila. Mrs. Willie Mae McClinton virtuously “crowned” her husband throughout their marriage of 62 years and 9 months. In continuous praise of “God’s Favor” on her life, Mrs. McClinton spoke proudly about her family, (especially her sons-in-law, James and John). Her “Christ-centered Life” established a spiritual foundation for her family which is “Deeply Rooted In Love” with 5 generations.

Her Time To Labor

Mrs. Willie Mae McClinton has been a resident of Flint, Michigan since 1955. Prior to being employed with the school system. Mrs. McClinton was employed at Montgomery Wards downtown Flint. She has also worked as a house cleaner, a babysitter, a cook at Paramount Grill and a seamstress. In 1992, she retired with 26 years of service at the Flint Board of Education. Following her retirement, she occasionally worked as a receptionist at Exquizit Hair Suites.

Constantly extending her “gifted” labor of love, Mrs. Willie McClinton, (along with the support of her husband) was a great blessing to others by opening the doors of their home to provide Food, shelter, Food, love, Food, laughter, Food, Cake and MORE Food and Cakes to everyone who entered the address “819”. Mrs. McClinton’s “One-of-a-kind” Culinary Skills has truly blessed the Lacey family, the McClinton family, the church family, the neighborhood family and probably YOUR FAMILY.

Her Time To Serve The Lord

For 22 years she served as a faithful member at St. Paul Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. R.R. (Pecolia) Gordon.

In 1977, led by the “Spirit of God”, Sis. McClinton joined the Harris Temple Church Of God In Christ under the leadership of Supt. T.R. (Erma) Harris, where she received the Holy Ghost. She continued her membership under the leadership of Bishop Walter E. (Dianne) Bogan as the church transitioned into Harris Memorial Church Of God In Christ.

As a dedicated Youth Sunday School Teacher, only the Lord knew that Missionary McClinton was teaching and preparing young students whom one of them would later become her pastor, Admin. Assist. Eric E. (Karleen) Bogan. As a cheerful and faithful supporter of “Pastor C’s” ministry, Missionary McClinton travailed in prayer to “Teach the Truth and Show the Love”. In 2011, she received the Harris Memorial “Bronze Pillar” Award.

Her Time of Respect and Royal Recognition

As a loyal participant in the church and the community, she exemplified a “compassionate, endearing spirit”, therefore she was affectionately called “MOTHER” by many people. God’s grace allowed her to have the strength and the willingness to come out from the walls of her own household and spread her love and knowledge to others. Mother’s 24/7 “Prayer Line” blessed many lives through the “ANOINTED POWER OF PRAYER.” Throughout her life, Mother McClinton has been highly respected as a beautiful role model as a wife and mother. With a mixture of “scripture” and “wisdom” and “humor”, Mother McClinton nurtured many spiritual daughters by giving them Godly direction for their lives.

(if you feel that you received some of that nurturing,

LET HER SPIRITUAL DAUGHTERS, lift your hands and say, “AMEN”)

Our “Victorious Queen Mother” was truly a lover of people and she lived as a “Guardian Angel” spreading her anointed wings as a shield of love and protection everywhere she went. As a frequent shopper and traveler to conventions and reunions, she spread her “Legacy of Love” throughout the world. (Historically, she is the only family member who has attended the Lacey Family Reunions 50 consecutive years) surrounded by more than 200 Lacey Family Members, in July 2018 she was Crowned the “Queen of the Family.”

Her Time to Mourn

Mother McClinton was preceded in death by her husband, Bertran McClinton; 2 sons, Charles McClinton and Winston McClinton; parents, Nathan & Fannie Lacey; 2 sisters, Louise Richardson and Dorothy Richardson; and 2 brothers, John Davis and Nathan Lacey.

Her time of Peace and Rest

During the recent years of her life, the Queen’s “physical wings” began to fold; subsequently, her activity performance began to decrease. Nevertheless, from her heart she continued to Praise the Lord with her motto: “Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, Oh Lord, my strength and my redeemer” Thank God, AMEN.

At the age of 88, peacefully at rest, she approached the horizon; with her children at her bedside, Mother McClinton responded to the Lord’s voice calling her name. And so it was “The Setting Of The Sun” on November 1, 2018; She laid down her cross, for Mt. Zion she was bound; the Queen spread her wings of love, to fly away to receive Her Heavenly Crown.

We Thank God for Her Time Here on Earth (In Mama’s voice) Thank Ya!!

Mother Willie Mae McClinton leaves to cherish her memory: 2 daughters, Fay (James) Wallace of Flushing, MI and Sheila (John) Wells of Flint; daughter-in-law, Gloria (Jewel) Brown; 4 sisters, Frances Lovelady, Edna Roberts, Loretta

Habersham and Betty (Robert) Wilson; brother, Elder Richard (Eleanor) Lacey; 7 grandchildren, Vincent Nelson, Sena (Keith) Bell, Lonnie (Jill) Coulter, Jovan Coulter, Venoy McClinton, Martinque McClinton and Ta'Mera Brim; 10 great-grandchildren, D'Andre (Dominique), Tioko, Keith Jr., Karla, Lonise and Le'Sha (Gerald), Lonyae, Cyrus, Z'nayah and Braylen; 12 precious great-great-grandchildren; god-son, Anthony Williams Jr.; also step-grandchildren and their families, Thomas, Tonji, Torrence, Katina and Donta; the Dixon and Scott families; special cousins, Vera Hall, Learline (Adolphus) Watson and Hazel McClinton; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, "Prayer Partners" and longtime friends, Mrs. Dorothy Buford and Mr. Bossie Gilbert; attentive neighbors, Mr. & Mrs. Murphy and Ms. Johnson; Admin. Assist. & First Lady Bogan and the wonderful Harris Memorial Church family, along with this list of people, so many of you also cherish mothers memory just the same, so on this line, we gratefully ask you to write your name:

_____.

God Bless You for being a part of The Queen Mother's life.

The memories of the things, she did and said "Will keep The Queen close to us throughout the days ahead

And her "Legacy of Love" We must continue to spread.

Cemetery Details

River Rest Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI 48504

Previous Events

Viewing

NOV **16**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI 48505
(810) 789-MOON (6666)
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com
<http://www.lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

Family Present

NOV **16**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Family hour

NOV 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Harris Memorial C.O.G.I.C.
4317 Lippincott Blvd
Burton, MI 48519

Service

NOV 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mother Willie Mae McClinton*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *To Sheila and Faye, it seems only a few days ago that I was talking to Mother. She still had that beautiful smile. I thank God for the many years of her teachings, and the many stories she shared with us as she taught Sunday School. Mother would bake cookies for us at times. But she loved talking about her family and her children. Mother was such a joy to be around. Some days as I would drive her, Mother Hawkins, and some of the other Mothers to the forth Monday Meetings, they would be talking and sharing stories. I would be smiling and thinking to myself how much they were like young girls, giggling, laughing, and talking about their families. I always enjoyed listening to them. Just by listening to them it taught me so much about being a wife and a mother. Lord how I loved those Ladies. They were examples of what and who they believed in. They were Godly Women. Women who loved God, and to this day I try to live my life in their footsteps. So much can be said for the Woman of God Mother was. I will forever cherish her memories, her life, and her legacy of love for the people of God and his Word. There is a saying that the best lessons learned are learned at the feet of the Elders. In this case it was my Church Mothers. ❤️❤️❤️*



Mary Kidd - November 17, 2018 at 09:20 AM

NJ

“ *Nancine Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Nancine Jackson - November 17, 2018 at 08:53 AM

JR

“ *Jerome & Deborah Relerford lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Jerome & Deborah Relerford - November 16, 2018 at 10:15 PM

JR

“ *Jerome & Deborah Relerford sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Jerome & Deborah Relerford - November 16, 2018 at 10:15 PM

BS

“ *Sending prayers to the McClinton Family. May God give you strength during this time and also the days ahead. From Barbara Smith and The entire Coulter Family from Arkansas ,Missouri ,Texas and Flint Mi.*

Barbara Smith - November 16, 2018 at 02:05 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mother Willie Mae McClinton.



November 16, 2018 at 01:52 PM



“ Phyllis Patterson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton



Phyllis Patterson - November 16, 2018 at 08:44 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mother Willie Mae McClinton.



November 15, 2018 at 10:46 PM



“ Sending Healing Prayers 🙏 and Comforting Hugs. Love Forever In My Prayers. Linda Richardson & Family ❤️❤️❤️



Linda Richardson - November 15, 2018 at 09:39 PM

WF

“ *Walter and Alicia and other family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mother Willie Mae McClinton.*



Walter and Alicia and other family - November 15, 2018 at 07:57 PM

TF

“ *The Coulter family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mother Willie Mae McClinton.*



The Coulter family - November 15, 2018 at 05:05 PM

AO

“ *Arnenia Odum lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Arnenia Odum - November 15, 2018 at 09:08 AM

EJ

“ *I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of Mother McClinton. She was a very sweet Woman of God. You have my wife and I sincere condolences. God Blaess you all!*



Elder Alfanzo C. Howard Jr

Elder Alfanzo C. Howard Jr - November 14, 2018 at 06:02 PM

TW

“ *Tamika Washington lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Tamika Washington - November 14, 2018 at 01:35 PM

LA

“ *Lawaner lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



lawaner - November 14, 2018 at 09:17 AM

MJ

“ *MIN. PAM JACKSON lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



MIN. PAM JACKSON - November 12, 2018 at 04:51 PM

DB

“ *Sheila, Faye and family, I truly celebrate with you the homegoing of your precious mother! The powerful Legacy that she has left for all who knew her will continue to be a blessing. I pray that God will comfort you and keep you in perfect peace during this season. Deborah Brown and family*

Deborah Jones Brown - November 12, 2018 at 10:14 AM

DS

“ I was saddened to hear of the passing of Mother McClinton. She was such an inspiration to all of us. Always a smile on her face. She lived such a full life, thanks to her loving Daughters. Absent from the body, present with the LORD. Praying strength and love to Sheila and Faye. Love Deidre 💕



Deidre Spight-Woodson - November 10, 2018 at 03:42 PM

DG

“ God has called his Angel home! I will miss her but I know the love she shared will be forever passed on. Louis Brandon and I are praying for your family and send you much Love. Deborah Ann Huntsville TX

Deborah Green-Norris - November 10, 2018 at 12:55 PM

KH

“ To The Beloved Family of Mrs. Willie Mae McClinton...



My heartfelt sympathies and prayers are with you. May the peace, solace and comfort of God, encompass you both now and in future days.... My dear friend, Sheila, I know how you loved, cared for and showered your Mom with genuine love! Thank God for ALL that was done to make her days pleasant, memorable and joy-filled! You and your Family rendered a job well done! I admire the compassion, care and attention to detail you freely shared on your Mom's behalf.... It encouraged me to keep doing my BEST for my Mom as well! We are truly helpers one of another!

I believe your Mom is now resting in God's presence, free from her earthly toils, no more sorrow, disappointments or pain! A life well-lived! A crown of VICTORY awaits her!

*With Sincere Love and Respect....
Evangelist Kimberly Dawn Hicks
Flint, Michigan*

Kimberly Dawn Hicks - November 10, 2018 at 11:36 AM

JM

“ *Jimmye Maxwell lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Jimmye Maxwell - November 09, 2018 at 03:41 PM

BT

“ *Betty Tipper lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Betty Tipper - November 09, 2018 at 06:54 AM

AB

“ *You will be miss Love you R.I.P*



Audrey Broadnax - November 08, 2018 at 01:04 PM

CB

“ *Love you...R.I.P*💜💜



Carina Bradford - November 07, 2018 at 06:24 PM

BB

“ *Bridgett Beasley lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Bridgett Beasley - November 07, 2018 at 01:50 PM



“ *My condolences to the Sheila. Earth has no sorrows that heaven can't heal.*

Linda Harden Roach



Linda Roach - November 07, 2018 at 09:57 AM



“ *So sad to hear about the loss of Mother McClinton. Her presence will be missed, but I am rejoicing in her victory!!! She was well loved and lived a life that is deserving of rest in her eternal home. Our family is praying for yours in this season. - Sheena and the Manuel family*

Sheena Manuel - November 07, 2018 at 07:34 AM



“ *Sad for your loss. May she rest in peace. Bill W.*

Bill Wine - November 06, 2018 at 12:32 PM



“ *Dorris M Lyons lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Dorris M Lyons - November 06, 2018 at 10:42 AM

CO

“ *My sincere condolences to the family and friends on the loss of your dear loved one Mother McClinton. There really are no words to express the heartfelt sadness one feels when such a special person is gone. May you persevere in prayer to the God of all comfort. He promises to fortify you, strengthen you and help you endure during this most difficult time. (Romans 12:12)*



Collier - November 06, 2018 at 07:04 AM



“ *Nancy Murphy lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Nancy Murphy - November 05, 2018 at 06:00 PM

DA

“ *Davis Family (Williemae, April, Angel) lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Davis family (Williemae, April, Angel) - November 05, 2018 at 01:42 PM

DS

“ *Sherry and Family! I am so sorry for the loss of your beautiful Mother, every time I seen her at church she was so sharp and beautiful. I am praying for you all and may God bless and keep you during your time of bereavement. I love you all Doreatha D. Swift and Family.*



Doreatha D. Swift - November 05, 2018 at 12:53 PM

DA

“ *Doris Allen lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Doris Allen - November 05, 2018 at 06:46 AM

VF

“ *Vera Williams And Family lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Vera Williams and Family - November 04, 2018 at 10:56 PM

KE

“ To Sheila, Faye and the Family,
I want to offer a special prayer in the time of your loss. And what a great loss it is! Willie, or Mother , as I called her was a great lady, Godly and wise. She had a lot of influence in my life. I will never forget her!
One of Her Sons,
Keith McKinnies

KeithMcKinnies - November 04, 2018 at 10:38 PM

JM

“ Jimmye Maxwell lit a candle in memory of
Mother Willie Mae McClinton



Jimmye Maxwell - November 04, 2018 at 08:20 PM

BS

“ Aunt Faye so sorry for y'all's loss, you and the
family are in my thoughts and prayers



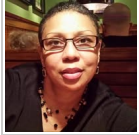
Briana Sanders - November 04, 2018 at 11:03 AM

LM

“ So sorry for your lost Mother Willie was a
beautiful person glad i was able to spend
some time with her.....We love you Queen
God has gain a Angel....RIH....



Lanita Murray Marion - November 04, 2018 at 10:24 AM



“ *Abby Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Abby Johnson - November 04, 2018 at 07:40 AM



“ *To Faye, Sheila and all the family, we offer a special prayer in the time of your loss. What a great loss it is! She was a wonderful lady. She was very Godly and very wise. I cherished our friendship and will never forget her.*
One of Her Sons,
Keith McKinnies

Keith McKinnies - November 03, 2018 at 05:09 PM



“ *Miss'y E. Humphrey lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Miss'y E. Humphrey - November 03, 2018 at 12:58 PM



“ *Hi Fay praying for you and your family, so sorry to hear about the passing of your mother ,we know God knows what's best*

Iris Hare - November 03, 2018 at 12:35 PM

IH

“ *Iris Hare lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Iris Hare - November 03, 2018 at 12:30 PM

PR

“ *Pearl Robbs lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Pearl Robbs - November 03, 2018 at 11:21 AM

JR

“ *Jermaine & Kimberly Reese lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Jermaine & Kimberly Reese - November 03, 2018 at 10:21 AM

VL

“ *"Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal"
" Our hearts were saddened to hear of the passing of our dear Mother McClinton. We are praying for the family during this time of grief.*



Vivian Lowe - November 03, 2018 at 10:19 AM

BF

“ OUR PRAYERS AND LOVE TO THE
McCLINTON FAMILY THE BILLINGS FAMILY



Billings Family - November 03, 2018 at 09:05 AM

PW

“ My sincere condolences to the McClinton/Wells and Wallace Family.
My thoughts and prayers are with you.
To Shellar and Faye you all did all you can. You all will be blessed.
Love y'all

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Patricia Walker(Woodley) - November 03, 2018 at 08:42 AM

JG

“ Julia Gamble sent a virtual gift in memory of
Mother Willie Mae McClinton



Julia Gamble - November 03, 2018 at 06:32 AM

WH

“ *Wanda Harrison lit a candle in memory of Mother Willie Mae McClinton*



Wanda Harrison - November 02, 2018 at 07:55 PM

KS

“ *My sincere condolences to the McClinton Family. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Kelly Simpson and family.*



Kelly Simpson - November 02, 2018 at 02:55 PM